

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Kevin Hooper on April 28, 2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claims 8-11 have been cancelled.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Claims 1-7,13-18, 20 and 21 are pending.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The elected invention was found free of the prior art. The claims of the instant application contains the compound of formula (I) wherein X=oxygen or an imino group. The examiner expanded the search to the rest of the invention, i.e. the entire scope of the compound of

formula (I) as defined in claims 1-7, which was found free of the prior art in a method of protecting human skin or hair from UV-A irradiation.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Claims 1-7, 13-18, 20, and 21 are allowed.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner Courtney Brown, whose telephone number is 571-270-3284. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8 am

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to 4:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's Supervisor, Johann Richter can be reached on 571-272-0646. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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